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NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 199

12 JULY 1955

1. The following were present:

Mr. D. J. Clinton
Maj. J. W. Jacobson
LCdr. J. Madden
Col. J. J. Hausman

State
Army
Navy
Air Force
CIA (Chairman)
CIA (Vice Chairman)
CIA (Secretary)

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2. Segmented NIS Areas

After reviewing the areas of agreement reached at the last three meetings, and as a result of further discussion, the NIS Committee approved the list of new NIS Areas. These include a number of subareas which will have the status of NIS Areas and will be uniformly treated by all contributors. The new list will be disseminated at an early date. It supersedes the list of NIS Areas contained in the NIS Standard Instructions.

The Committee agreed that the new NIS Areas would be used for all future production, and for such current production as could be conveniently adapted to the new areas. Other production already well advanced could be continued under the former NIS Area designations.

The Committee further approved the use of a new NIS unit of production, the Annex (as defined under paragraph 2 of NCM 198) for the following entities:

- a) [REDACTED] - Annex to Sections 40, 50, 60 of NIS 13B
[REDACTED]
- b) The Vatican - Annex to Sections 40 and 50 of NIS 17 (Italy) ✓
- c) Minor Political Units - Annex to Sections 40, 50, 60 of NIS 32
(Arabian Peninsula)
- d) Hong Kong and Macao - Annex to Sections 40, 50, 60 of NIS 39B ✓
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- e) [REDACTED] - Annex to Sections 40, 50, 60 of NIS 45 [REDACTED]

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3. "Key Personalities" Unit

The Committee continued the discussion on "Key Personalities" unit (refer to NCM's 196, 197, and 198). The following points were agreed upon:

a) The consolidated treatment of biographic intelligence, as done in the "Key Personalities" unit, offers a balanced and integrated presentation which effectively meets NIS requirements.

b) An Outline Guide should be developed for biographic intelligence to ensure adequate presentation by all contributors and to provide for new requirements, such as psychological warfare.

c) At least during the development period, the biographic intelligence of the NIS should be produced as "Key Personalities" units, without further integration into the NIS framework, either as a chapter or supplement.

d) The "Key Personalities" units as produced shall replace Sections 59 and the biographic lists in Chapters VII and VIII. However, it is expected that personalities will be discussed in context as a necessary part of the intelligence appreciation of any topic within the main body of the NIS. The general tenor of such substantive comments should also be reflected in the "Key Personalities" unit.

e) It is the intention to produce "Key Personalities" units on at least eight NIS Areas each year.

An ad hoc committee representing OIR, BI, BR and D/B will draft an Outline Guide and procedural recommendations for producing "Key Personalities" for approval of the NIS Committee.

4. Status of the "Gaza Strip"

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The Committee decided to exclude the so-called "Gaza Strip" from [REDACTED] and to incorporate it into Area 53 (Egypt) in accordance with a State proposal of 27 June 1955 (refer to paragraph 8a of NCM 198). The Committee further held that the base maps for Areas 31 and 53 need not reflect this change until their next scheduled revisions.

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The chairman noted that, while this memorandum proposed certain control adjustments to take care of the change in the [REDACTED] the last two paragraphs would also permit the distribution of NIS to subordinate headquarters below the level of Major Subordinate Commands as authorized by the present IAC-D-45/12 of 21 July 1952. He requested the members to alert their respective IAC members on this point since it might otherwise be overlooked.

6. NIS Production Forecast

The vice chairman requested the members to prepare production forecasts for FY's 1957-58-59, with the forecast for FY-1957 further broken down into monthly production. He distributed forms for this purpose and suggested they be returned by 15 August 1955 so that the consolidated production forecast may be prepared and distributed by September 1955.

7. NIS Dissemination Requirements

The vice chairman requested the members to prepare their agencies' dissemination requirements for NIS scheduled for production during FY-1956 on forms prepared for this purpose. These requirements should be returned by 15 August 1955 so that the consolidated requirements may be ready by 1 September 1955 in accordance with previous agreement. The members may review these requirements after an interval of six months (refer to paragraph 6 of NCM 191). The chairman reminded the members to include the Introductory Sections (and the new Annex thereto) in the dissemination requirements of all regular recipients of other sections of the same chapters.

8. Suspense Items

The State member reported that Section 60 of NIS 9 (Spain), due in CIA on 26 May 1955, had been held up awaiting comments from the field. These have now been received and the section will be ready for delivery within a week.

9. The next meeting of the NIS Committee will be held at 1000 hours on Tuesday, 26 July 1955.

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